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AFDROUGHT

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SUBJECT: USE OF COTONOU-PARAKOU-NIAMEY-GAO

RAIL/ROAD TO MOVE GRAIN TO SIXTH REGION

OF MALI

RE: STATE 230994

SACOTRA DAHOMEY DIRECTOR REPORTS ROAD TRANSPORT CONDITIONS BETWEEN RAIL HEAD AT PARAKOU AND NIAMEY ARE GOOD AT PRESENT BUT WILL DETERIORATE RAPIDLY WITH ONSET OF RAINY SEASON NEXT JUNE. ROAD INFORMATION UNAVAILABLE FOR NIAMEY-GAO SEGMENT. HEAVILY LOADED TRUCKS POSE NO ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS. PRESENT TRANSIT TIME COTONOU-GAO IS 4 DAYS (MAXIMUM 5 DAYS). FUEL, TRUCKERS, AND TRUCKS ALL REPORTER AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. TRANSPORT PRICE, COTONOU-GAO, FOR SORGHUM AND OTHER CEREALS 15,465 CFA PER TON. SACOTRA DIRECTOR KOFFI SEES NO PROBLEM FOR RAILROAD WITH INCREASED TONNAGE. INTER GOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT NEEDED TO INSURE EXEMPTION FROM LOCAL TAXES FOR TRANSPORTERS AND SMOOTH TRANSITING OF FRONTIERS. THIS SHOULD BE EASILY OBTAINED AS MRGD HAS GONE OUT OF ITS WAY TO COOPERATE WITH DROUGHT RELIEF FOR SAHEL IN PAST.

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